



Asian Coalition

With help, there IS hope.



Meeting Time: November 18th, 2016, 1:00 to 3:30pm

Location: LACDMH Arcadia Mental Health Center
330 E. Live Oak Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006

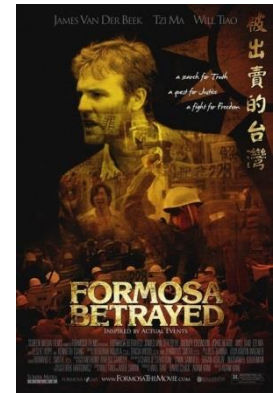
Due to limited space, RSVP is required!

To RSVP, go to EventBrite.com, search for "Asian Coalition" & select the meeting.

Upcoming Guest Speaker: Profiles of Courage & Resilience



November 18: Will Tiao is best known for his work as the writer, actor, and producer of the award-winning film *Formosa Betrayed* starring James Van Der Beek. His acting in the movie earned him praised from film critics such as Sheri Linden of the Hollywood Reporter & LA Times ("At the heart of the film is the affecting performance of Will Tiao, who also produced and co-wrote the story. As pro-independence activist Ming, he's called upon to...represent the emotional toll on native Taiwanese struggling to be free of foreign control, including that of Beijing"). Tiao's journey in producing and acting in *Formosa Betrayed* can be seen through the eyes of the mental health and emotional awareness



both of himself and the Taiwanese community. His struggle to get the film made required him to break many social and cultural norms within his family and his community. His efforts to make a multi-million dollar Hollywood film about Taiwan earned multitudes of news articles in the international press. He speaks regularly to aspiring filmmakers and other entrepreneurs on how to develop their own pathways to creative success.

Asian Coalition's Mission: We are an association of individuals dedicated to mental health advocacy through providing a place for community dialogue and education & bringing resources together for members to develop a better understanding of the mental health system on all levels. As a coalition, we are committed to bringing more awareness to untold stories of adversity and resilience affecting the various Asian & Pacific Islander American (APIA) communities in Los Angeles County. At our meetings, **we carry the message of hope, wellness, recovery, and self-determination.** We welcome anyone interested in learning more about the mental health system of Los Angeles County & how it affects the APIA communities and the general community-at-large.

Vision & Goals: The Asian Coalition is committed...

- To **providing a supportive environment** for individuals who seek general and culturally relevant mental health resources and services related to the APIA communities.
- To **sharing personal stories of hope & resilience.**
- To **educating the community** about the value of various mental health services, community support groups & alternative therapies available.

Next Meeting Dates

Friday, Dec 16, 2016

For further information, contact **Emily Wu Truong** at AsianCoalitionLACDMH@gmail.com
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A Life of Courage & Resilience: It is not the destination. You have always been living it in each step of your life & just didn't know it.

